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Dear Sir:

In response to the nonfinal Examiner's Action mailed September 15, 2006, having an extended statutory period for response set to expire November 15, 2006, the above-identified patent application is amended a first time as follows:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicant elects to prosecute the claims directed to Species II for a cell cap and associated Braille display assembly, classified in class 434, subclass 113. The claims readable thereon are claims 21-25.

REMARKS

If an Examiner's Amendment would place the pending claims in condition for allowance, a telephone call to the undersigned at (813) 925-8505 is requested.

Very respectfully,

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